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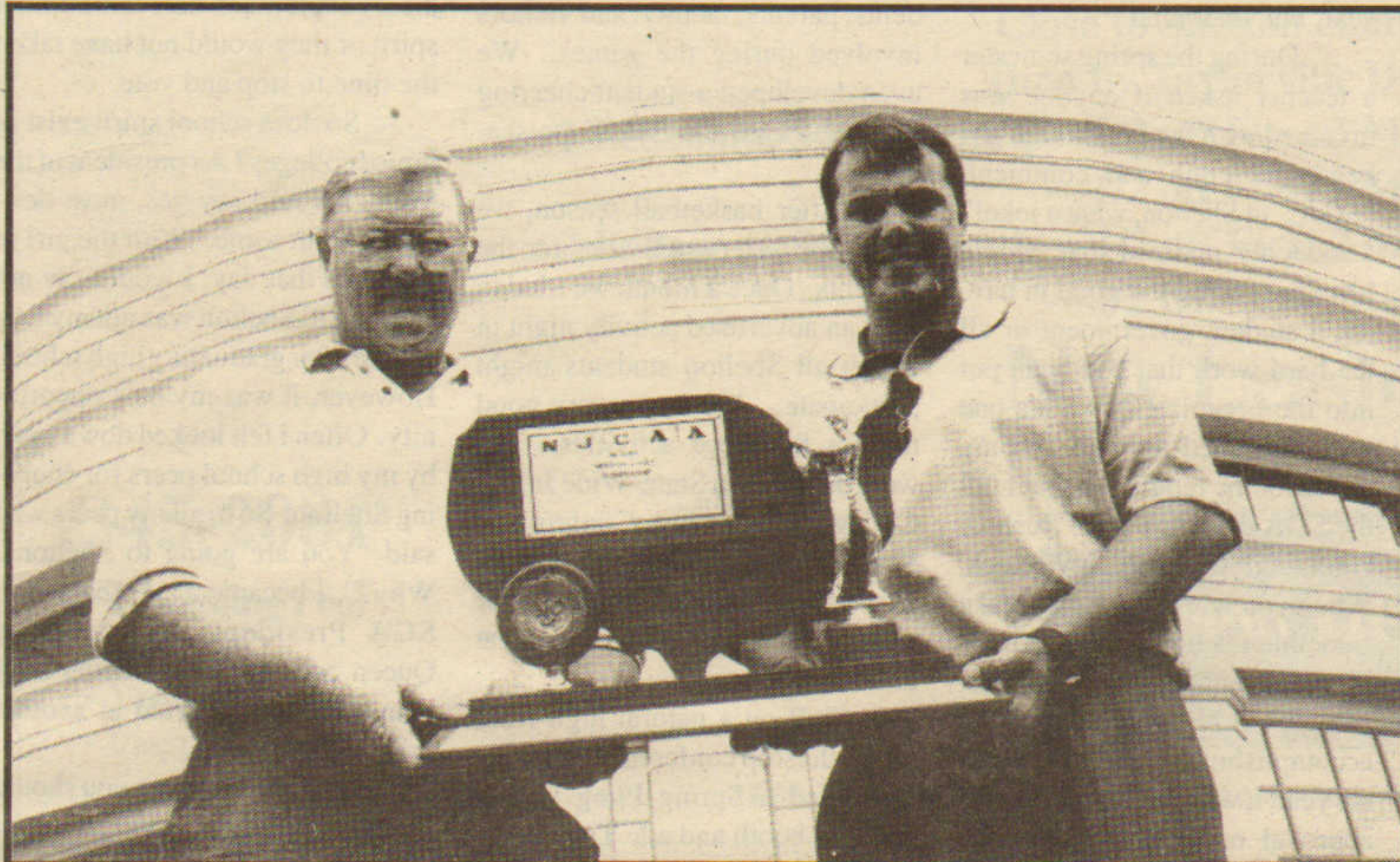
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We are the Champions!



Head Golf Coach Jim Collins and Assistant Matt Terry proudly display the hardware: the trophy the Buccaneers received for winning the national championship

By James A. Crawford II

There is a new national championship team in town, and it's not at the familiar four-year campus next to the river.

The NJCAA Div. II Golf National Championship trophy will sit proudly in the atrium of Shelton State's Martin Campus.

Gone are the days of athletic obscurity for two-year colleges across the nation, and even more prevalent, gone is the image that Alabama has the only game in town.

Still celebrating its first-ever National Championship, the Shelton State Men's Golf team looks

back on an eventful two weeks.

"The Techsters, that's what the players like to call themselves, dominated the nationals. They loved it. They did it for fun," said assistant coach Matt Terry.

Playing for the fourth consecutive year, head coach Jim Collins could only sit back and watch as the team he nurtured rose to the occasion on June .

"Those guys will drive a coach crazy. Once the flag goes up, all you can do is watch. It'll drive a coach up the wall and, of course, there is the added pressure of playing for the National Championship as well," said Collins.

Shelton's team, led by freshman Jason Dillard, was as diversified as it was talented this year.

With players coming from as close by as Birmingham and as far away as England, Shelton had a little bit of everything.

Clinching the number one spot on the All-National team, Dillard pulled-off a remarkable four birdies on the back nine to win the individual title and help boost Shelton's team over the top.

"If Jason's short game was any better, he could be making money playing golf. He's the best player ever to come through here.

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Do you have the moving blues?

Every year college students have to find a place to live—often, for the first time in their lives

By Melissa Dover

Are you looking for a place to live for the fall semester in Tuscaloosa? Guess what, so is everyone else! Or at least it will soon seem that way.

Thousands of college students from both Shelton and the University of Alabama are in the middle of figuring out where they are going to live and with whom.

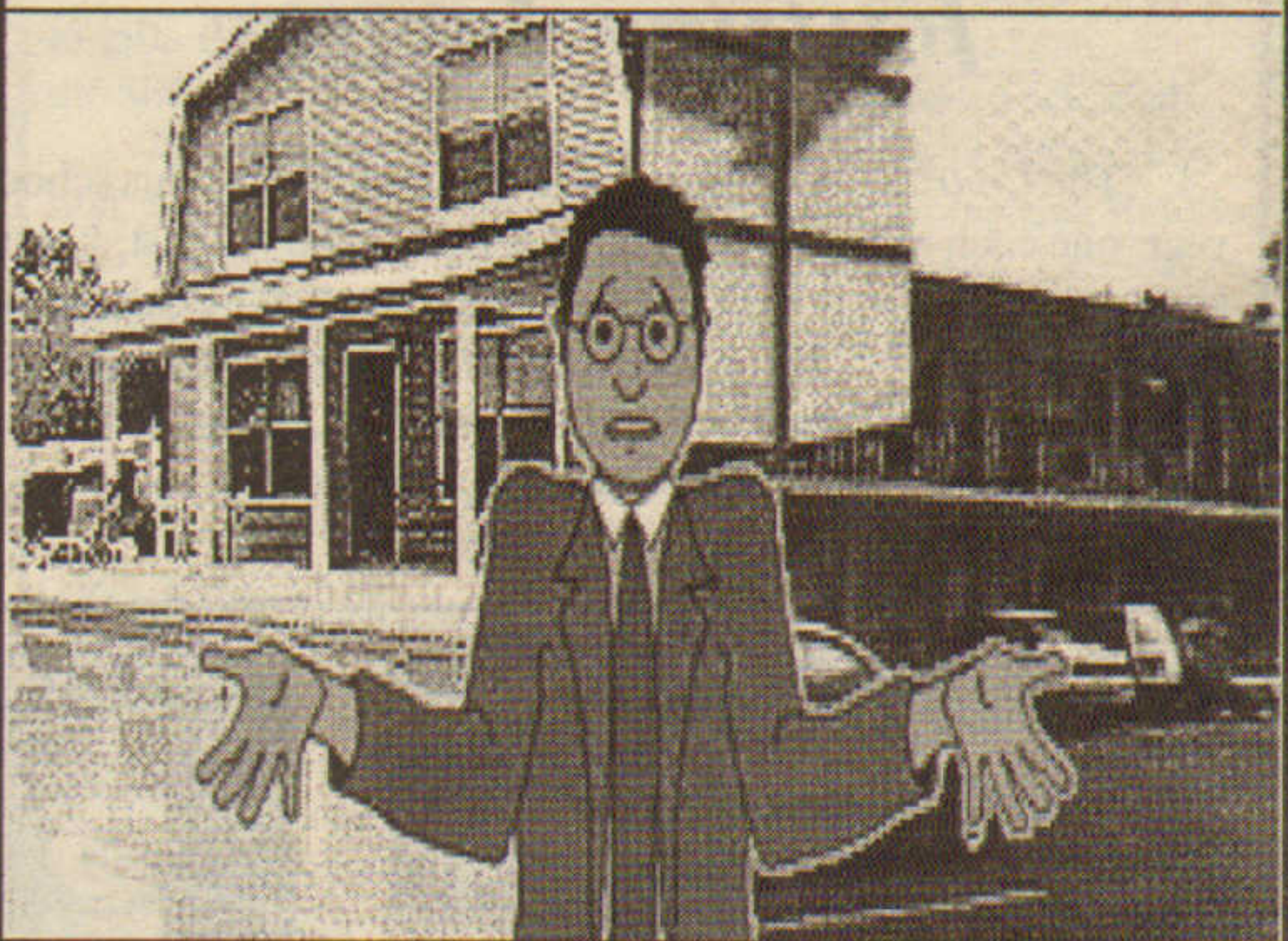
Realty companies and apartment managers all across Tuscaloosa are preparing for what they call "turnover." This is perhaps the most stressful time for property management, because most apartment leases end and the new ones begin at the same time.

So how do you beat the anxiety and effort that go with finding a new place to live? If you haven't

set upon a new place yet, here are a few tips you need to consider before choosing your new residence.

John Hyde, a leasing specialist in Tuscaloosa, says one useful tool is an apartment guide publication. "The Apartment Guide and the Apartment Blue Book are very useful, but they should only be considered a beginning step in finding information on apartments. They are good on factual information, but they only list the apartments in town that pay to advertise with them. Also, the apartments may look good in these publications but may not meet your expectations in person."

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Shelton nominates six employees for Chancellor's Award

Six Shelton State Community College employees were elected this past spring by college personnel to represent the college in the annual Chancellor's Awards ceremony.

Individuals elected were: Brenda Ryan, academic faculty; Dennis Crim, technical faculty; Louise Lewis, administration; Judy Johnson, support staff; and Jean

Mack and Martha Key, alumni.

Moundville native Brenda Ryan joined the Shelton faculty in 1981. She serves as the chair of the Honors Night Committee and as an advisor of Shelton's Phi Theta Kappa chapter. She has been actively involved in Shelton's freshmen orientation entitled STAR days, (Student Testing Interpretation, Advising, and Registration days).

Mrs. Ryan is a member of Kappa Delta Epsilon and Delta Kappa Gamma, women educators organizations. She is a member of Leadership Hale County and is a member of the Moundville Serendipity Club and the Moundville Library Board.

A member of Moundville

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PTK orientation meeting set for July 29

Phi Theta Kappa, Shelton State's honor society, will be holding an orientation/initiation meeting for anyone interested in applying for membership on Thursday, July 29 at 2 p.m.

In order to be eligible for

PTK, a student must have a 3.5 GPA or higher with at least 12 semester credit hours.

Students who wish to apply or want more details should see Brenda Ryan in the Counseling Center.

Annual piano sale to be held July 14-18

Southeastern Music Gallery will hold a sale of instruments on loan to the college July 14-17. This is the second year these Kohler Campbell and Yamaha instruments will be sold in this way.

Wednesday, July 14, will be set-up day. On July 15-16, the

instruments will be shown by appointment.

On Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m., the pianos will be on sale to the general public.

For more information, call Syble Coats at 391-2270.

Introduction to Media Writing offered

To coincide with the requirements in Mass Communication at the University of Alabama, Shelton will begin offering Introduction to Media Writing in the fall term.

Dr. Jim Kenny, mass communication instructor, explains that Introduction to Media Writing will replace News reporting in the regular semester offerings at the college.

"We won't be changing the course all that much," Kenny said. "We will still give the students an opportunity to work on the *Courier* while they learn the basics of media

writing."

Introduction to Media Writing is required in all of the majors in the UA College of Communication and Information Sciences. These fields include Advertising and Public relations, Communication Studies, Journalism and Telecommunication and Film.

The class will be held during the fall term on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Kenny welcomes inquiries about the class at 2278. He also urges any interested parties to come by the *Courier* office on the west wing of the second floor.

Future Issues

The *Courier* looks forward to two more issues this school year: one each month is scheduled for July and August. Let us know what you would like to know about Shelton by calling the publisher at 391-2278 or the *Courier* editorial office at 391-2406. You may also visit the *Courier Online* at http://www.shelton.cc.al.us/courier/courier_main.html

"Keep Looking Up!"

By Dr. Lee Albritton

One of the most easily recognizable star patterns of the summer months can be seen by connecting three very bright stars in three separate constellations to form a huge three-sided figure, the "Summer Triangle."

To locate the brightest of the three stars—Vega—look in the northeast sky, and it is in the group of stars that is shaped like the letter

W. This is the constellation Lyra, the harp.

A second bright star, Deneb, can be found to the lower left of Vega and is in the constellation Cygnus, the swan. This constellation is actually shaped like a cross; it is often referred to as the "Northern Cross."

The final bright star of the triangle is Altair and is located to the lower right of Vega in the constella-



Connect the dots to form the Summer Triangle

tion Aquila, the eagle.

Whatever outdoor night activities you may be doing this summer—a walk in the neighborhood, playing sports, or picnicking in the park—keep looking up and enjoying the Summer triangle as it moves higher in the sky during the summer months.

What is the school spirit potential of Shelton State?

By Becky Avery

School Spirit ...Is there a such thing in a community college environment? Recently, I was faced with answering that question. As SGA president I feel there is still hope in finding those few to motivate the others in getting involved.

Sure the Student Government made an impression this year, but what kind?

During the spring semester a teacher asked if anyone was involved with the SGA. One girl began to laugh and comment, "SGA... at Shelton, what a joke!" I suddenly realized that people were not seeing the good in having a student government or all the hard work that had been put into the organization. This one person popped my ego and my hopes for the reputation that I felt the SGA deserved were flushed. I guess it was a reality check. When you work so hard to make something better, you often push away all negativity without realizing it. As I look back on all the accomplishments and failures of the year, it was clear to me that the approval or disapproval of the girl did not seem to matter as much.

My year started off late and slow, but it did lay an incredible foundation for the semester that followed. Homecoming kicked off the beginning of basketball season and the beginning of SGA. We soon followed with a variety of community projects including Toys for Tots, Salvation Army Angel Tree, and Can Food Drives. Christmas came with a celebration of our first semester being successful and plans for an even

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better second semester.

After getting our feet wet and a long break, we returned in the spring semester to blow away any preconceived ideas about the SGA. We were able to get donations to give out during the basketball home games to encourage students to come. It seemed to help get students, parents, faculty, and visitors involved during the games. We even developed a student cheering section toward the end of the season.

After basketball season, we really focused on activities for the students. Once a month we tried to hold an advertised activity night in which all Shelton students might participate. We had a very good turnout for these activities. We went on to host a State-Wide Junior College Leadership Conference. Shelton students did not participate as much I had hoped, but the other colleges seemed to have a great time.

Still on a natural high from the leadership conference, we went sponsored a Spring Fling with a dunking booth and all. The Spring Fling was a tremendous success and at the end of the day it was evident that the Shelton State student body was learning who we were.

It was after these activities that I heard what people were saying. This motivated me to do more, to be better, and to find people that would help me do this. When it can time for the elections of new offic-

ers, I was frightened by the thought of no one running for these positions. With the thought of SGA falling after trying so much to build it up, the officers and representatives went recruiting. We found eight willing and qualified students to run. Then we set up a voting booth. It was at this time my ego was reassured. We had an awesome turnout for voting. We had close to 400 people vote. All of these people must share some school spirit or they would not have taken the time to stop and vote.

So does school spirit exist in junior colleges? As president of the SGA, I would say yes, most definitely, with some. With the girl in my class that day, I would say no. Coming to Shelton was not my first choice after graduating high school. However, it was my best opportunity. Often I felt looked down upon by my high school peers for choosing Shelton. So to all my peers who said "You are going to Shelton... Why?", I became an Ambassador, SGA President, Homecoming Queen, and have a much better GPA than some who started at another school.

Wherever you are you should make a place for yourself to be happy and get involved. My feeling on school spirit and being involved is just like "grown-up" life, if you have a bad attitude and do not enjoy where you are, you want ever be happy. However, if you make the best of what you have where ever you are then you can be happy and rejoice in the fact that you have accomplished so much.

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are urged to participate with submissions of written and artistic material.

The college seeks to fulfill the statement for academic freedom in working with the students in the production of this paper:

"The college seeks to provide an atmosphere conducive to open and honest intellectual inquiry in any college forum which is appropriate for dialogue and student participation. The students should feel free to exercise the right to dissent within limits of decorum and good taste."

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Courier Poll

By Michelle Gates

54%

of Shelton students enrolled in the summer rent an apartment either alone or with roommates

40% of renting students have access to a swimming pool
37% of renting students have use of a laundry
25% of students have on-site security
62% spend more than \$250 per month on rent
38% live with their family

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Methodist Church, Mrs. Ryan has served as co-director of *The Road to Calvary*, the Moundville community Easter sunrise service, since 1974.

Dennis Crim, lawn and turf instructor at Shelton State, is a graduate of Auburn University and held a number of positions with various country clubs in the state before joining Shelton State Community College. He is a former president of the Alabama Turf Grass Association and holds a certified commercial pesticide applicator's license. He is a resident of Northport.

Perhaps Crim's most significant contribution while at Shelton State has been his work with the college's landscaping. Crim and his students have been responsible this past year for the installation of sod, plants, and upkeep of the college landscaping.

Louise Lewis came to Shelton from C.A. Fredd Technical College during the merger of the two institutions in 1993. Since 1996 she has served as Title III director and assistant director of the Fredd Campus. She is a graduate of the University of Alabama and Alabama State University. She and her husband live in Northport.

She is a graduate of Leadership Tuscaloosa and is a deputy registrar for Tuscaloosa County. She is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Tuscaloosa League of Women Voters. She has received training with the Advanced Public Policy Institute Training Kettering Foundation and a Zenger Miller Frontline Leadership Certificate in 1997.

"We are extremely proud of these people. Their work has touched the lives of many students at the college."

—Shelton President Tom Umphrey

As manager, Judy Johnson was very involved in setting up the operation of Shelton's book store on the new campus in 1997. She is also responsible for the college's copy center and mailroom. Mrs. Johnson is a graduate of Shelton State, receiving her Associate in Applied Science Degree in business administration in 1987.

She and her husband have seven racking horses, two of which they show in competition. During the past nine years, Mrs. Johnson has won numerous awards while

showing horses. She is the Grand Champion of the Gaited Division within the West Alabama Horseman Association for 1998. She was secretary for the West Alabama Horseman Association and the Hale County Riding Club.

In 1974 Jean Mack received a certificate from C.A. Fredd Technical College. Because she strongly believes in education, she entered Shelton's New Options programs and in 1988, she received an Associate in Applied Science degree. She is continuing her education at Shelton and at Stillman College.

In 1989 she became a full-time employee of C.A. Fredd State Technical College, supervising their library operations. After the merger between Fredd and Shelton in 1993, she assisted in the transition of the library at the Fredd Campus. Today she supervises all aspects of the C.A. Fredd Campus Library, dealing not only with the books but also with audio visuals. She also serves on the Shelton State Alumni Council.

She is an active member of the Adoptive/Foster Parent Association and received certification as an Adoptive Foster Parent in 1992. She assisted in organizing the One Church One Child Association of Tuscaloosa and played an important role in recruiting homes for children and young adults. She is an active

member of Mt. Carmel C.M.E. where she serves as youth director and secretary to the Missionary Society. She and her family live in Tuscaloosa.

Originally from Walker County, Martha Key entered Shelton State as a married adult student with two children. Today she lives in Coker, Alabama, and is completing her senior year at the University of Alabama. She also works full time at Shelton State as secretary to the registrar.

In addition to caring for her family, Mrs. Key has been actively involved at both Shelton State and the University. In 1996, she was the recipient while at Shelton of the James B. Allen Award and was a member of the USA Today All Academic Team. At the University, she was named the Outstanding Management Student in 1998 and 1999 and was the recipient of the Jerry F. Wilson

Scholarship in 1998 and 1999 and the special University Scholarship in 1999. She is a member of Blue Key, Gold Key, and Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society.

According to Shelton President Tom Umphrey, these individuals have assisted students in achieving their goal of a college education. "We are extremely proud of these people. Their work has touched the lives of many students at the college."

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Newspapers and the Internet can also be very helpful in finding available apartments. Going on-line has become a fad for locating apartments. Most large complexes have home pages and e-mail addresses where you can ask questions and see what they have available. "On the Internet, I found out how many apartments are for rent and even the color of carpets apartments have. It has made apartment-hunting easy," said Pat Martinise, a University student and a veteran of several grueling apartment hunts in the past. "Now I just look at apartments without leaving my current home."

Sometimes models can be misleading. Keep in mind that some of the props in a picture will probably not come with the apartment.

Andy Holley, another leasing specialist in town, suggests a person looking for a new place to live should take the surprise and passion out of apartment hunting by planning ahead. "Before going to look, you should make a list of needs or amenities you want in apartment living. This will narrow your choices of prospective apartments and save you time. You should call the property management people at each apartment you're interested in to find out if they have those features before making a trip that could be a waste of time. The management of each property should be evaluated to see if they seem like people you

could live with throughout your stay at their community. Ask current tenants of the apartment what they think of the management, the upkeep of the grounds and maintenance of the building.

Everybody in the leasing game also suggest that renters should do a little investigating. Call the police department and inquire if there were car or apartment break-ins reported. Check out the apartment late at night. How well are the grounds protected? Is there a security officer who walks around? Are lights burned out and not maintained? Are other tenants loud when others might be wanting to sleep or study?

Leasing professionals also suggest that you insist upon a look into the apartment you will be moving into. Sometimes models can be misleading. Keep in mind that some of the props in a picture—such as mirrors and shelling—will probably not come with the apartment.

Probably the best tip is to accept that you're going to eventually have to go with your gut instinct when choosing a residence. A year is a long time to live in a situation you're not happy with. You are choosing a home, and a home is a place where you should feel comfortable and secure.

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The Entertainment Page

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Why I Love the *Star Wars* Movies—Especially *The Phantom Menace*

By James A. Crawford

Once upon a time, a long time ago, I was seven years old and I took a trip to a galaxy far, far away and met a group of people I have never forgotten.

On May 19, I got to take a trip back to that place of make-believe where the force lives and good strives against evil in the never-ending saga known as *Star Wars*. On May 19, I got to be a kid again and I loved every single moment of it.

I don't know completely how to describe when I was seven and seeing the movie for the first time. I remember feeling inspired by it. I remember loving the action scene and the adventure. I remember wishing I could be daring and handsome like Han Solo and have a walking teddy bear for a best friend.

Star Wars, to me, is a blend of the old west and the future. You have good guys and

bad guys—and you have the guys in-between just trying to survive.

The religious aspects of the movie are unavoidable. You have to respect all things, you have to treat people with dignity, and you have to try to be peace-loving and gently if possible. I don't know if Lucas intended to be teaching moral lessons or if he just needed a common thread to keep the characters together. Whichever the case may be, he did a good job of it. I learned many lessons from *Star Wars* when I was young.

I recently got a chance to see the latest *Star Wars* movie again, with my girlfriend and her daughter, who just happens to be seven. I don't know if the movie profoundly affected her as it did me, but I see those signs when she starts talking about the characters. It was in a place far away and a long time ago, but I now remember being seven...

Roberts reviews... *The General's Daughter*

By Brian Roberts

It is very common in this era of movie-making for the big summer action movies to insult our intelligence. For some reason, *The General's Daughter* was marketed as a typical summer action movie, complete with lots of guns and plenty of explosions.

In reality, however, every gunshot and every explosion in the entire movie is included in the film's trailer. What is left is actually an intelligent thriller.

The General's Daughter, based on the best-selling book by Nelson DeMille, is the story of the investigation into the violent murder of Army General Joe Campbell (James Cromwell, *Babe*). Warrant officers Paul Brenner (John Travolta) and Sara Sunhill (Madeline Stowe) are in charge of the investigation that blurs the lines between the normal rules of investigation, and the rules of an Army investigation.

To be honest, I came into this movie not expecting to like it. Director Simon West has only one previous movie to his resume, the mindless summer action movie *Con Air*. Seeing John Travolta should have told me that this movie would not fall into that category, however. After having his career resurrected in 1994's *Pulp Fiction*, Travolta has been on a roll of both quality films and quality performances.

This film's one failure, in my mind, is

that it did not live up to its own expectations. The film build up to what is supposed to be a shocking ending. But it just simply wasn't that shocking! Surprisingly, however, that did not ruin the film.



Typically movies that have weak endings end up failing as a whole, because they do not fully develop the tension in the build-up to the climax. The tension is simply there to attempt to service the eventual climax, which the director hopes will make up for any other shortcomings.

In this film, however, the tension is there as a product of the storyline. Because of that, the viewer can accept any ending, however shocking or expected.

The *General's Daughter* is probably not going to win any awards at the end of the year. It is, however, a thought-provoking film that far exceeds the expectations of a typical summer action movie.

The *General's Daughter* is showing at Regal's Fox 12 Cinemas at 1:10 p.m., 1:40 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 9:50 p.m., and 10:20 p.m. 126 minutes. Rated R for violence, language, and nudity.

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"Men who Cook" are helped by "women who work"



A crowd estimated at more than 1,000 enjoyed a unique culinary event Friday evening, June 4, at Shelton State. "Men Who Cook" turned out in great numbers to donate their time, recipes and efforts to produce dishes such as cold rice and shrimp salad, wild turkey and quail, and hot and sour infusion, all for Tuscaloosa's Alzheimer's Support Group. Oddly, as many women seemed to be scurrying about as men. One busy lady explained, "Yeah, it's the men who cook, but it's the women who work!" Nevertheless everyone attending seemed to have a great time including the "Nothing But Calypso" team from National Bank of Commerce: (L-R) Jeff Whittington, Eddie Sherwood, Tommy Hester and Owen Skinner

The Shelton State Respiratory team acquits itself very well in the college bowl contest in Gulf Shores

The Alabama Society for Respiratory Care (ASRC) recently held its annual convention in Gulf shores at the Gulf State Park and Convention Center. During the convention each year, a college bowl competition testing students and therapists across Alabama is held. This year one Shelton State squad of students defeated others with faculty participating.

This year there were 10 teams entered from three the respiratory programs—five from Wallace State of Dothan, three from the University of South Alabama, and two from the Shelton program.

One of the Shelton teams made it to the "final four" competition on Thursday night by defeating the South Alabama team composed of two bachelors degree students and one of their instructors. Final four teams included USA team #2, USA team #3, WSCC team #1 and the "Tachypneic Punks" from Shelton State.

Shelton team members were Chris Holman, William ward, and Herschel Maddox. Eligah Rainey, clinical coordinator for the Shelton program, served as an alternate.

Team members for the other squad were Kristy Thompson, Lori Barger, Amy Bolen, and Jovette Mims, alternate.

Bruce Spruell, Shelton Respiratory director, served as coordinator of the statewide event, which, he said, "is regrettably named the Sputum Bowl."

A team from USA eventually won the even and will be sponsored by the ASRC at the National Sputum Bowl competition at the December 1999 International Respiratory Congress in Las Vegas.

Spruell notes that only those teams that had program instructor members were able to defeat the Tachypneic Punks. This is just the second year for Shelton to field teams.

Spruell says it is the goal of his program to bring home a trophy in the next couple of years.

Shelton respiratory student Chris Holman also served as a speaker during the meeting. In a presentation centered on the difference between a bachelors de-

gree program and an associate's program, Holman outline the associate's advantages.

"He did a terrific job explaining the good things about our program," says Spruell.

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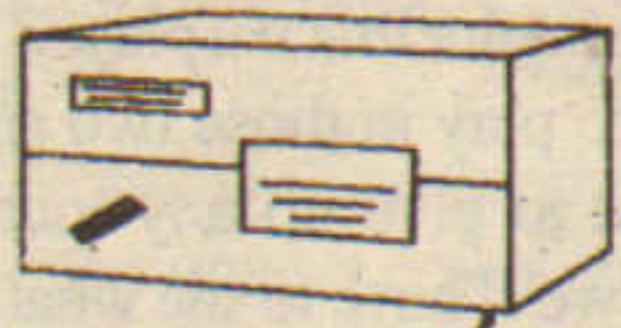
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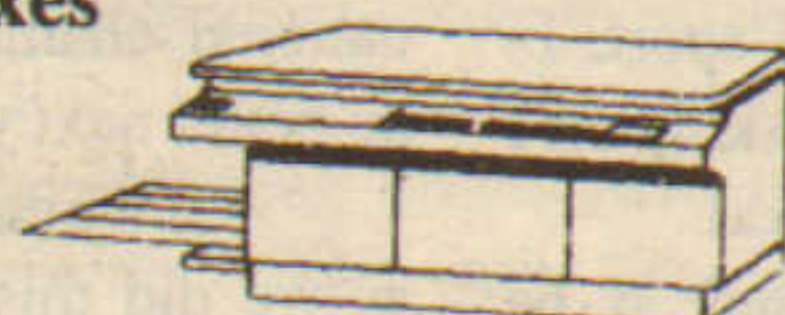


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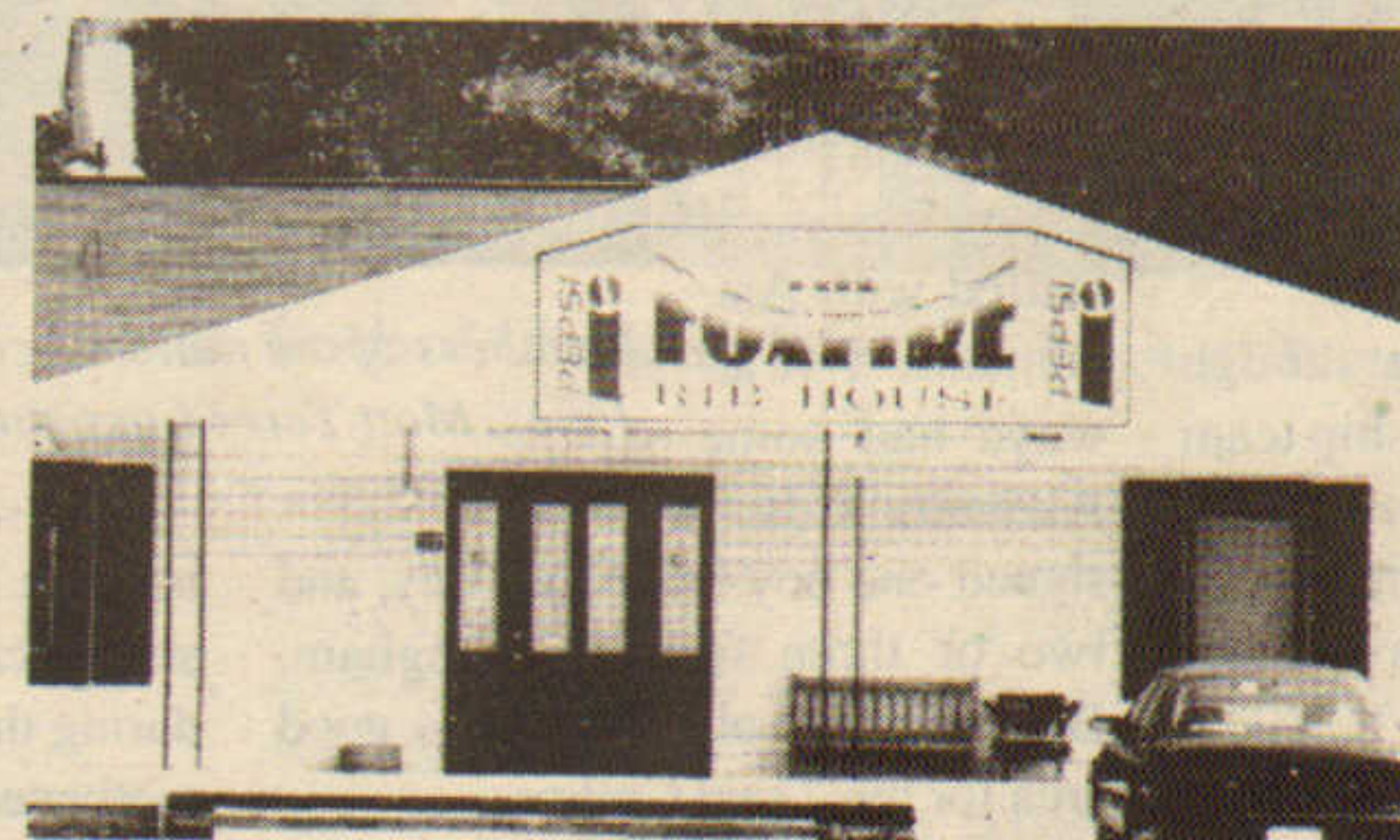
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—The Buccaneers are Here to Play—

Golf team takes National Championship

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Bamber is the best driver on the team. He hits the ball around 260 to 270, but he hits it in the fairway 90% of the time.

"Danny Germaine is the most consistent after Jason. He's got a spread of it all and Drew Jones is the longest. He won the long drive contest at the Nationals," said Collins.

Coach Terry was on-hand when Jones hit his best shot yet. "Normal swing, he hit it 338 yards. I told him to let one out and he hit it 347 yards into knee-high grass," said Terry.

Collins was especially proud of a team that found what it needed to mature fast enough to take home the gold.

"Even when they were down, they were patient. That's what we've told them all year. You have to handle all of them differently to get them to play their best," said Collins.

"A lot of work goes into forging a winning team. Coach Collins knows that the secret can sometimes be the smallest little thing to make a player a champion.

"You'd be surprised what you have to do to get them ready. Some you have to make mad, some you pat on the back like a baby and others you have to admonish.

"You only have eight months to figure out what makes them click. If you haven't figured it out by the time you get to regionals, then you're finished," said Collins.

One thing missing though from Shelton's championship team this year is local talent. Collins doesn't mince words with what he perceives as a reason for the absence.

"I've had some local boys on the team. If they can play at this level, I'll have some more, but they have to be able to play at the national level."

Collins illustrates a problem that junior colleges have dealing with players.

He points out that some of the players that could stand out at Shelton don't see it as an opportunity to come to a two-year school.

"There have been some that could, but they go to Alabama and

then sit on the bench. The junior programs in this area aren't as good as you see in other areas, so you don't see as many quality players as there used to be," says Collins.

After four consecutive trips to the nationals with regional titles under their belt, the Buccaneers now have something to brag about.

They also have a bright future, in a winning program that has only good things ahead of it, including a new recruiting tool.

"The championship will definitely have an effect. I've already had a coach from Ohio State call me about a boy that academically can't get into Ohio State and he's trying to find a junior college to get him into to get him some playing time.

"We're inundated with resumes now," says Collins.

Despite the absence of local talent, Shelton's team is well staffed with Alabamians. "I've always had some Alabama kids. I

signed one boy from Red Bay, and two or three from Birmingham. Bessemer has always been a good area for me," said Collins.

"Playing at this level is tough. There are a lot of four-year schools that don't want to play Central Alabama or play us. They don't want to get beat by a Div. II junior college team," said Collins.

Although the national championship was the highlight of the season, Collins managed to win coach of the year for his troubles.

Collins downplays his individual award though, giving the credit to the players.

"The way the coach of the year comes about is that it goes to the coach of the winning team. That's all there is to it. Nothing much really. It's something they do for the coaches to make them feel good."

Assistant coach Matt Terry differs on his reaction to the award. He thinks that it means everything and that Collins well deserved it.

"He's the coach of the year

given day. It's quite an accomplishment. Anything team orientated is much harder to play," said Collins.

This year the team out a little different rather than the usual routine. We started out making them run this year. Getting them in better physical shape. The better shape your in, the better your going to play," said Collins.

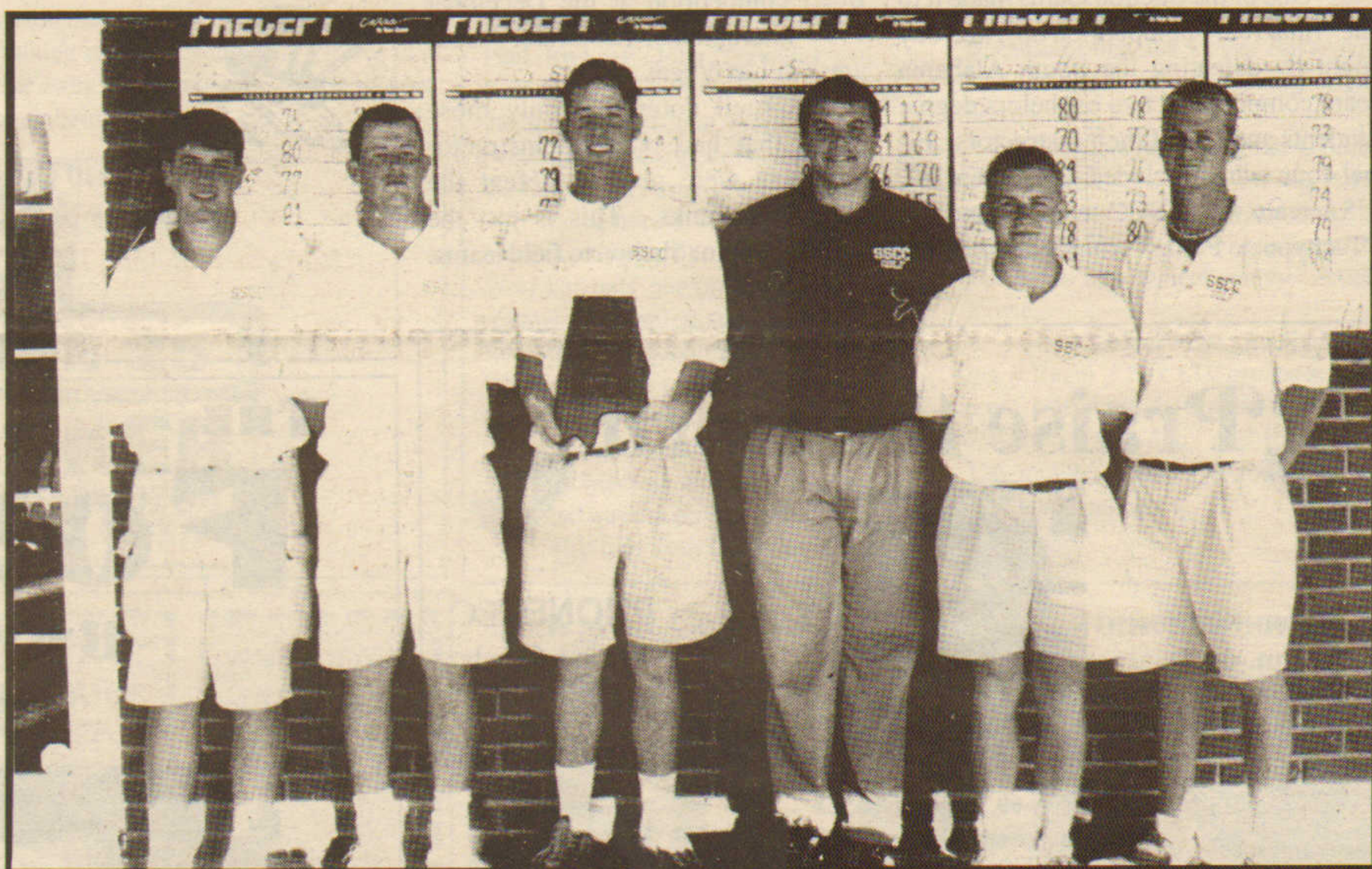
"Adam Harris, from Panama City Bay high school is good player. Bryant West from Red Bay is real mature for his age and a real good athlete. Thad Holcombe, from West

"If we can get a couple of national championships it will sure make recruiting easier," said Collins. "It can't be anything but positive over the years."

Of course, everything has its drawbacks, even a championship.

"The thing is, now we'll be expected to go to a couple more tournaments next year. There's one up in Ren Lake, up north and one in the spring well be expected to go to because were the reigning national champions.

"We'll be expected to show up and play. The thing is your taking



Members of the national championship Shelton State Buccaneers golf team included (L-R) Chris Jones, Jason Dillard, Drew Jones, Matt Terry (assistant coach), Nick Bamber and Danny Germaine

because his team played well, but also because of the work he does during the year. He has to get them motivated and ready to play," said Terry.

Coach Collins sees college golf as being totally independent from the individual game.

"The really hard thing about college golf is the team aspect. Golf is basically an individual sport. In college, though, you're asking five kids to go out and play good.

"With a professional, if he doesn't play well, he doesn't get paid. In college, you have to get five people to go out and play their best on any

Point Miss., has got a real strong grip. He likes to hook the golf ball. That's the only thing I'm worried about, trying to refine him a little bit," said Collins.

If those three boys will come in, they'll help us. We'll be stronger next year than we are now.

"The good thing about next season is now that we've won this national championship, we should be better next year.

"If we can just perform as well as we did this year with all these freshmen coming back, with the experience they've got, we will have five sure players.

about a lot of money.

"We might have to give up four tournaments that we played last year, just to play in those two and I don't want to give up any tournaments but we'll have to see what the President wants to do," said Collins. "I just want to say right now that President Umphrey has always been very supportive of the golf team, and we could have never gotten where we are without his loyalty and assistance."

President Umphrey on his part expresses his pride in Shelton's first championship, and promises a celebration this fall when championship rings will be presented.

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Adult Student recruiter studies his clientele

Exactly who is the Shelton State student? That is what the Director of Adult Student Services at Shelton wanted to know.

He found out that the student body is 54% female, 67% white, 34% black and 9% other. Most are freshmen: 57%; sophomores account for 31%, and developmental students are at 12%; 72% of students are full time, and 28% are part time.

One particular student group receiving special attention these days is the "adult," which is defined as anyone older than the traditional college-age of 18 to 22. Nationally, this group is the fastest growing segment of student population and is being mainstreamed into college campuses everywhere.

Philip Coleman, the director of Adult Student Services for Shelton, recently analyzed data he compiled on the common needs, concerns and interests of the adults he has worked with over the past 15 months.

Here are some of his findings:

How Old is the Adult Student?

The typical age of the adults assisted by the Adult Recruitment Office falls between 25 and 45 years, though retirement age and senior

citizens have also been served. **What is the sex of the typical adult student?**

Female adults that contacted the Adult recruitment Office outnumber the males by 2 to 1.



Philip Coleman

number the males by 2 to 1.

Why does the adult return to school?

The vast majority of adults return to school for job-related reasons. "Most of them" says Coleman "want to receive training that will enable them to change jobs so they can find employment they will enjoy more, will pay better, or both. Even the majority of the retirement-age people I assisted indicated they wanted to return to school to train for a post-retirement job, and each of them wanted to enroll in some type of computer-skills program to increase their chances of finding employment."

What type of help does the

adult need with retuning to school?

Most of the adults needed assistance in determining which class or program teaches the skills they want to learn. Coleman says, "An adult may come to me saying they want to learn computers. But they don't know if the specific type of instruction is taught through office administration, computer science, electronics or the Web Master-Internet program. We try to figure that out together through in-depth discussion."

Other types of assistance requested that Coleman has been happy to provide include: guidance through admission and registration, financial aid assistance, unique-situation problem solving.

Adult Student Services Program responds with Computer Fair

On Friday, May 28, a computer fair for seniors was held in the atrium at Shelton. Nearly 50 seniors turned out for the event.

It was sponsored by the Adult Student Services office.

Coleman said several of the seniors got interested in signing up for classes after they had hands-on experience working with the computers set up.

Foundation awards new scholarships

Thirty-five Shelton students will attend college next year thanks to gifts from the community via the Shelton State Foundation.

The Shelton State Foundation is a non-profit organization which supports the college in various ways. Money comes into the college through the annual Barbecue Bash and other fundraising events.

Scholarship recipients for 1999-2000 are:

Alexander Adult Studies (\$500 Each)

Lilian Belcher, Gordo; Marianne H. Todd, Moundville; Betty S. Liming, Northport; Lucinda S. Hester, McCalla; Mary S. Groth, Duncanville; Adora Brown, Cottondale; Sylvia J. Bostic, Marilyn Cooper, Wanda Kelly, Tuscaloosa.

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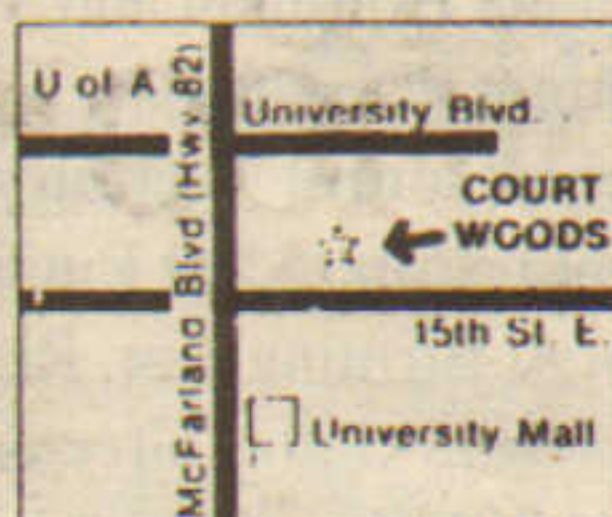
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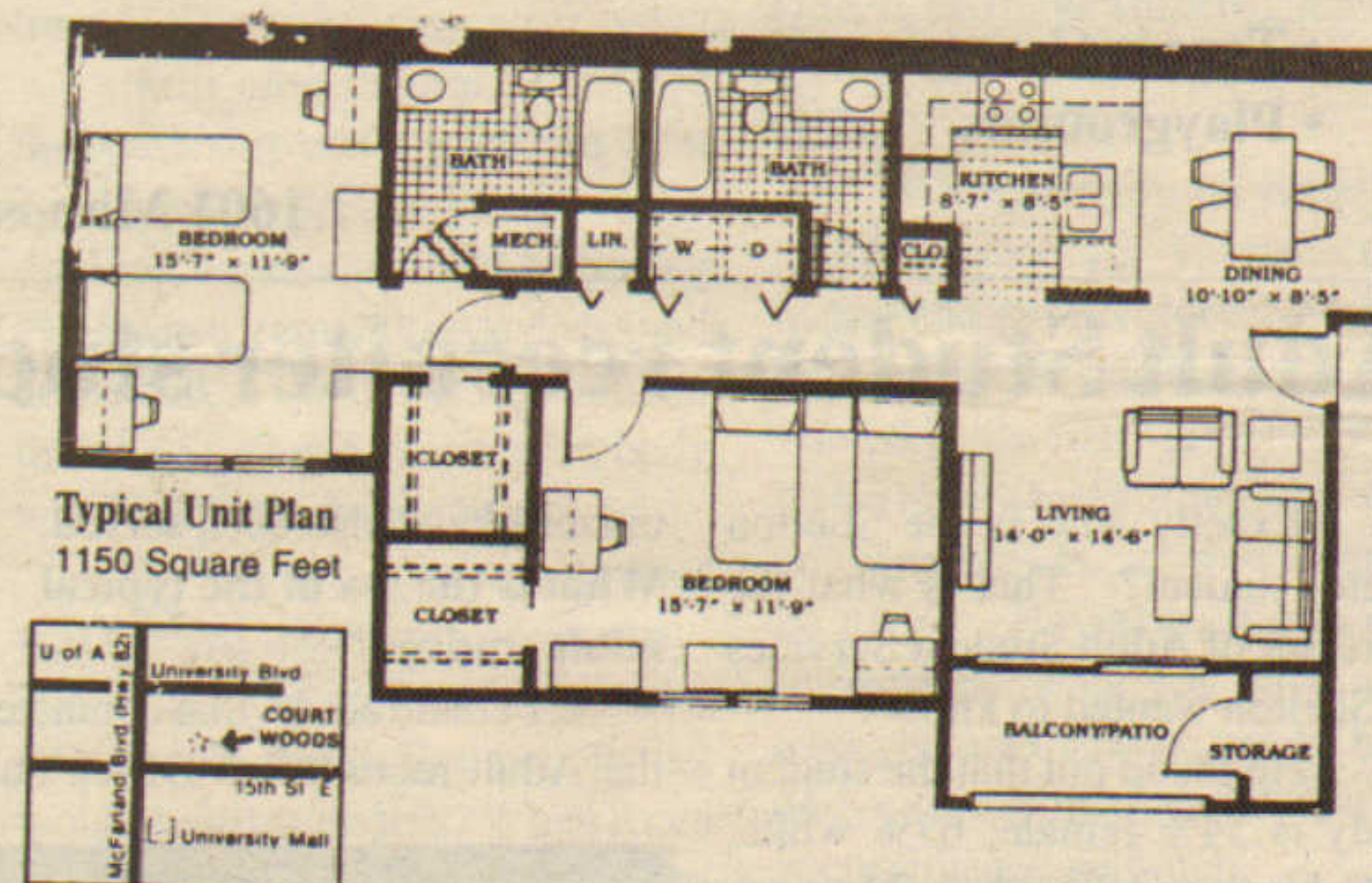
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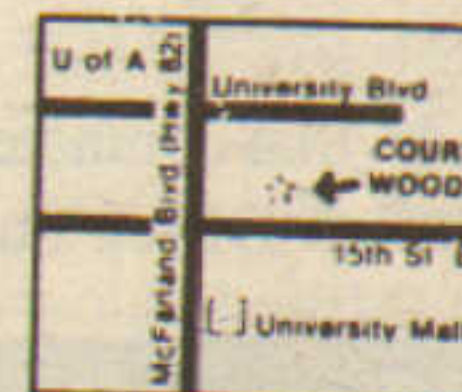
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